Edward L. Swazey, who fled from Kansas City four months ago after obtaining a large sum of money from banks throughout the country by the means of duplicate cattle mortgages, is being followed closely by detectives lr. South America.

Germany is rapidly becoming a nation of whisky drinkers, according to the report of Commissioner of Internal Revenue Wilson. More distilled spirits are expressed from this country to Germany than to any foreign coun-

Warsaw newspapers report that the agents of the United States are buying sugar-beet seed in Poland. This seed will be given a trial at the agricultural station in the United States. Such seed has previously been obtained principally from France.

There are rumors at Colon that the British steamer Togago has been seized by the Colombian government at Panama and sent, under an armed escort to Buenaventura, and that the British consul at Panama has asked for a war

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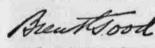
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A STORY OF THE BOER CAMPAIGN IN NATALXXX

By H. B. Mackenzie

CHAPLER H .- (Continued.) "I remembered this was the day you poke of riding over," said Dr. Adair Rothes-for it was he-in a low voice; "but I hardly expected you would

Bluebell's eyes grew larger than their wont.

"Rumors? I haven't heard any," she aid, "What are they, Doctor Rothes?" "You haven't heard?" He had not released her hand, and was holding it very closely now. "They say that the Boers are marching into Natal."

"Oh!" Bluebell uttered a little cry. and the rosy color faded out of her face. "Is it war, then?"

"I suppose so," Rothes answered gravely, "It seems Kruger has as good as declared war by sending a message to England demanding that our troops should be immediately recalled from South Africa."

Bluebell sat very still on her horse, her hands clasped; Rothes had at last withdrawn his.

"Will they come to Ladysmith?" she whispered at last.

Rothes nodded. "That is what is expected. We shall be besieged. The inhabitants are beginning to fly already, and I expect in a few days Ladysmith will be deserted except by the garrison."

"And you, what will you do?" Bluebell asked. There was a little quiver swift thrill of mingled joy and pain to Rothes' very soul.

"I shall remain here, of course," he answered, trying to speak in his usual tone. "Unless there is fighting outside. If there is I shall go with the army.

Bluebell was silent for a moment, and then she said:

"You will be on our side, of course?" "I will be with the British army," heaven, a doctor's business is not to fight on any particular side, or to slay his brother, but to do what he can for those who are wounded and dying on either side. But you are going into the town, Miss Leslie? I must not keep you.'

"I have messages," said Bluebell; "but I will not wait long, as I am going back alone."

"Mny I go a bit of the way with you?" Rothes asked engerly. "I do not like the idea of you riding those twelve miles alone with the country in this unsettled state."

Her soft eyes fell auddenly. Bluebell would hardly acknowledge to herself how her heart beat and her veins thrilled at the proposal.

"Thank you," she said the next moment, "It is kind of you. I shall leave the town about three, I think." "Then I shall be here at that time," he answered. "Good-bye, just now."

And he moved away. Bluebell rode on into the town. horrified her, but she was not frightened. There was little fear in Bluebell and childish and fragile as she looked. And she was a woman; and the look in Adair Rothes'

eyes, the close, warm clasp of his hand, occupied her thoughts almost more than this terrible picture of She found Ladysmith in a state of

her business done, and then went see one of her acquaintances.

Mrs. Lloyd, a pretty little English woman, whose husband was an engineer. "Ted insists on my going; but I don't feel as if I could leave him here nlone."

"You are going and Mr. Lloyd is remaining?" exclaimed Bluebell, with startled eyes, and then: "Oh, Nellie,

"I would not, of course, if I had only myself to consider," said Mrs. Lloyd, there is my poor little baby, Bluebell."

wife's place is beside her husband, surely? Better you should both die together, if the worst comes, than that you should be separated. Nellie, how would you feel if anything happened to your husband and you so far

Nellie burst into tears. held out against Ted ever so long, and, now that you speak like that, I feel that I have been very cowardly to give

was thoroughly made up, after a little, and the two friends kissed each other, with the feeling that they might never meet again on earth. Bluebell kept back her own tears, and answered the little woman as bravely as she her path was all blurred by the blinding tears that came to her eyes now, mounted on a fine chesnut horse of his

of the town. "You saw one of your friends?" Rothes said at last.

"Yes. I saw Mrs. Lloyd. She is go-

and I beg her pardon mentally for

"In fact, you thought she and I were very much alike?" said Bluebell, with a little tone of coquetry, "Confess now you think me that, too, don't you,

"I never thought you anything tre not justified in speaking like that," intoxicated condition, and that was plan with great success.

he said at last gravely. "Did I ever give you reason to do so?"

Bluebell laughed a little. "Do you remember the ball at Mar itzburg last spring. Doctor Rothes? come today, with these terrible rumors Ah, you didn't approve of me at all

He remembered it quite well. It was the first time he had met the Leslies, for he had been practicing in Maritzburg himself then. Bluebell's wild, childishly high spirits had carried her away that night, and she had flirted indiscriminately with all the officers then stationed at Maritzburg.

Bluebell remembered it, too. "Who is that grave-looking young man gazing so strangely at me?" she asked her partner, a gay young lieutenant. "Do you think he wants an introduction, or is he only trying to wither me with a glance of his eye?"

"The latter, I think," the lieutenant had answered, more truthfully than gallantly. "He's Doctor Rothes, and they say he is one of the awfully serious kind, you know. Takes life like a funeral, and believes one should go to church twice on Sundays. That kind of thing, don't you know."

Rothes' sunburned face had deepened just a little in tint.

"It is too bad to bring back those old foolishnesses to one's memory,' he said. "I did not know you then Miss Leslie. I had not seen you in in her voice, which seemed to send a your home. I did not know you earned the love and devotion of the poor natives on your father's place. I did not know you taught them, as far as was possible, not the mere profession of Christianity, but its practice." Bluebell bent a little over her

horse's head. "I am afraid I ought to teach myself that first, Doctor Rothes. Charity begins at home. But let us not speak of this. We can't be anything but Rothes answered quietly, "but, thank friends, can we, with this terrible danger facing us? Surely it will draw all European people out here closer together if anything could?"

"Yes," said Rothes quietly, can't be anything but friends."

Bluebell felt vaguely hurt at the cold words. They rode on, the horses' necks quite close together, and Rothes talked of the coming ordeal. Bluebell felt somehow strangely disappointed. The last time she had met Adair

Rothes he had held her hand long, and looked into her eyes with a look that had made every vein in her body thrill; and now he was so cool and indifferent-a friend, as he had said, and nothing more.

It was not that Bluebell was in love with him. She told herself about a dozen times a day that she liked Adair Rothes very much, but could never imagine him as a lover; yet now, why this sinking of her heart?

It was drawing towards sunset-a glorious sunset. The whole of the sky died in crimson and gold, the very veldt reflected the crimson, so that it Bluebell shuddered as she thought that very soon it might be.

so common on the Natal veldt. Sudbehind it, and came riding straight towards them.

Bluebell felt a thrill of annoyance recognized the rider at once. It was the millionaire, Gerald Moore.

CHAPTER III.

He rode forward and lifted his hat. putting his horse in Bluebell's way so that she could not pass. Bluebell fancled his face was paler than usual; but his deep, slowly-moving eyes did not move from her face.

"Your father has sent me to meet you, Miss Leslie," he said in his rich. deep tone. "We have heard that the Boer army has crossed into Natal, and is marching straight on Ladysmith. It is not safe for you to be alone on the veldt."

"I am not alone, thank you, Mr. Moore," said the girl, a touch of defiance in her tones. "Doctor Rothes"she turned towards Adair-"has kindly been seeing me home. He had heard the news you refer to."

She was struck by the look on Gerald Moore's face as he turned to Rothes. There was an almost diabolical expression upon it; but it passed away so quickly that she could not have sworn to it.

"I presume that Dr. Rothes will not object to handing you over to my charge now that you are within three miles of New Kelso?" he said. It seemed to Bluebell there was an undercurrent of either menace or defi-

ance in his voice. She glanced into Rothes' face. He sat very stiff and very erect on his horse, his face turned towards the other man. Bluebell had never-not seen so stern and cold a look upon his face as that which froze it at this

moment. The expression startled her still more now. Was it possible these two men knew each other?"

"I leave the matter entirely in Miss Leslie's hands,' he said gravely. "If she thinks I have come far enough, I am quite prepared to return to Ladysmith.

Moore looked at Bluebell.

"You had better come with me, Miss Leslie, and allow Dr. Rothes to return home," he said; then added in a lower tone: "Your father is not quite himself today. Perhaps you would not care to have a stranger at New Kelso under the circumstances."

Not quite himself! That decided Bluebell. Not for worlds would she have Adair Rothes, whose good opin- long, straggling country districts, ion she felt so strangely reluctant to where it has proved invaluable. Two lose, see her own father in a half-

Adam Leslie had always been a Etyielded still more to his unfortunate

"Perhaps you had better not come any further, Doctor Rothes," she said, n a low voice. "If Mr. Moore is going to New Kelso, of course he may as well ride with me; but I would just as soon go by myself. I am not a bit

Rothes took off his hat and held out

"Good-by," said Rothes, hurriedly and a little hoarsely. "I don't know when I may see you again. God only knows I pray that He may guard and eep you from danger!" He bent a little nearer, and added in a whisper: As you value your safety and happiness, beware of that man. I entreat of you to do so. He is a dangerous man. I cannot say more. Good-bygood-by.

The clasp of his fingers on her hand was to remain there for many days. He rode off, raising his hat, and a strange sense of desolation and lone-

She turned Rover's head and rode on, not glancing at Moore. Adair's words still rang in her ears.

Moore, giving his horse a little cut of the whip that sent him springing on beside Bluebell.

his face. "Do you know him?" "I had the pleasure of meeting him once in Maritzburg," said the millionaire dryly; "but, Miss Leslie, I wish to talk of something else just now. Your father has given me leave to do so. What do you think has kept me all this time lingering about this district?"

Bluebell shook her ruddy brown head. A feeling of vague discomfort and uneasiness shot through her at the question; but not in her wildest guesaes could she have arrived within a mile of the truth.

The country will soon be in a ferment; existence in it will be dangerous, unsafe. For men this does not matter so much; for women, especially those"-he paused and added impres sively-"whom we love, it is terrible not to be thought of. Your father

(To be continued.)

CITY OF HONG KONG.

In spite of all the precautions that have been taken, the perfect sanitation of the city, the fine natural drainage, the cleanliness of the streets, Hong Kong, says the Boston Transcript, is one of the most unhealthful spots on the globe. With its tropical heat, the lofty peaks that half encircle it catch the clouds that the rapid evaporation create, the floods of rain pouring down in streaming torrents. The houses lack light, although they are built as well as they could be, with perforated ceilings, through which the looked as if it were bathed in blood. air circulates, admitted from openings pierced in the outer walls: the floors are brilliantly waxed, carpets, owing A kopje was before them, one of to the great dampness being dispensed those little hills rising steeply from with. The great difficulty is to secure the one side, sloping from the other, light and proper ventilation; the streets are very narrow, and the towdenly, as Bluebell looked towards it, ering walls of buildings opposite oba figure on horseback emerged from struct the light in front, while at the rear the courts or terraces crowded with foliage cast a heavy shade from that direction. In the gardens, while and aversion run through her, for she plants flourish luxuriantly, there is no grass, but the ground is green with moss, just as it grows in damp, shady places in cooler climates. The heat and the great humidity are destructive to health and it is doubtful if there is a single normal liver in the whole of Hong Kong. English women who come out with complexions of cream and roses grow thin and sallow: the Hong Kong complexion is a startling grayish green, and the old resident has, with his pallor, dark bluish circles under the eyes. The least exertion includes exhausting perspiration, and people become gaunt and thin.

Crustacean on Eye.

Be careful when you handle a fish that you don't put your unclean fingers to your eye. A London fish dealer was reckless in this regard and as a result he planted a parasitic crustacean on the corner of his eye. He noticed an irritation of the left eye, and as it became troublesome to see he went to a doctor and was treated. Some one told him that he had an ulcer on the eye, but that information conveyed nothing to him, as he had no recollection of having got anything in his eye. Then he went to an eye hospital and there Dr. Batten found a growth on the cornea, or the outer coat of the eveball, but beyond this he was unable to make any diagnosis at the time. His description of what he saw introduces into medical nomenclature the Boer word "kopje," for Dr. Batten says: "At the upper even that night of the Maritzburg hall | margin of the cornea there was a small, clear vesicle; its central portion was slightly prominent, forming a low, round-topped 'kopje' surrounded by a shallow trench." The doctor didn't know exactly what to do, but something had to be done, and he decided to scrape the cornea. When he did so the whole mass lifted off and the patient had no further trouble. Then the thing was sent to a specialist, who pronounced it a parasitic crustacean, which is common on turbots and cod. He was inclined to think it was dead when removed, as he believed it doubtful if a marine crustacean really could live on a human eye.-New York Press.

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Engineers Make a Discovery

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Saloons in Gormany.

Moralists say that the number of saloons is a gauge for the morals of a city, but in Bremen the number of maloons or restaurants is frequently influenced by the influx of tourists who visit a place regularly, or by similar circumstances. Thus Mayence has one saloon restaurant for every 93 inhabitants, Berlin one for every 135 residents, Hanover one for every 248 persons, Magdeburg one for every 228 inhabitants, Brunswick one for every 257 persons. Essen, in the manufacturing district of Westphalia, offers little attraction to tourists; hence there is only one saloon restaurant to every 457 inhabitants, but it does not appear that the people at Essen are any better than those at Mayence.-Wolfgang Voltz in Chicago Rec-

McClurk's Magazine for December will contain an intimate account of the fall of Richmond and the flight of the Confederate cabinet, at the close of the Civil war. This article is from the pen of Stephen R. Mallory, who, as secretary of the navy in the Confederate administration, shared in the stress of those last days. The parrative gives a picture strong and true of the closing scene in the South's tragedy.

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She found her busy preparing for departure. "I suppose it's safer to go," said

how can you?"

the tears springing to her eyes; "but "What of that?" said Bluebell, "A

Yes, you are quite right, Bluebell, I in to him. No, I won't go!" Bluebell left ber friend, whose mind

could, but as she rode out of the town Doctor Rothes was waiting for her,

own, and together they rode on in silence until they were out of sight

ing to stay at Ladysmith even if it is besleged." "Brave little woman!" said Rothes, a tone of emotion in his voice. "I always thought her rather a butterfly,

Doctor Rothes?" but-" He was speaking with a sudien passion, but he suddenly checked limself and paused. "You know you evidently what Moore's worde implied, le apt to exceed, but it was only of ate-within the last six months-that his daughter had noticed it. And it seemed to her, since the coming of Gerald Moore that her father had venkness.

his hand. For one minute, only one their horses were close together, and Moore's was so far apart as to render him out of earshot at least of a whis-

liness fell upon Bluebell.

"So that is Doctor Rothes?" said

'Yes," she said, looking straight into

Gerald Moore went on slowly:

wishes you to go out of the country while yet there is time."

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